

MEMO

TO: North Dakota Child Care and Early Childhood Providers

FROM: Lexie Barber, Immunization Surveillance Coordinator ^{LB}

RE: Changes to Child Care Immunization Requirements

DATE: December 22, 2017

As of January 1, 2018, the following changes have been made to North Dakota [Administrative Rule 33-06-01](#) regarding child care immunization requirements.

- **Hepatitis B vaccine has been added to the list of required vaccines for children in child care facilities in North Dakota.** Children will need to be age appropriately immunized against hepatitis B vaccine to attend child care in North Dakota.
- **History of disease exemptions were added for all diseases that could potentially have an applicable history of disease, including hepatitis B, hepatitis A, varicella (chickenpox), measles, mumps, or rubella.** Previously, history of disease exemptions was only allowed for varicella.
- **A physician signature is now required for a history of disease exemption.** Previously, a parent could provide a signature for a history of disease exemption.

Enclosed you will find the 2018 Child Care and Early Childhood Facility immunization requirements. Please contact the North Dakota Department of Health Immunization Program at 701.328.3386 or 800.472.2180 (toll-free) with any questions regarding child care immunization requirements.

Enclosure